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Investment Plan Legislation)	NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY
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Notice of Availability of the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook, Fourth Edition* and the *Overall Program Guidebook for the Renewable Energy Program, Third Edition*

The California Energy Commission adopted revisions to the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook* and the *Overall Program Guidebook for the Renewable Energy Program* at its December 15, 2010 Business Meeting. These final guidebooks are now available from the Energy Commission's website at:

[\[http://www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html)

The *Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) Eligibility Guidebook* explains how the Energy Commission implements and administers its responsibilities under California's Renewables Portfolio Standard under statute. Under these laws, the Energy Commission is charged with certifying eligible renewable energy resources that may be used by retail sellers of electricity to satisfy their RPS procurement requirements and for developing an accounting system to verify a retail seller's compliance with the RPS. The *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* describes the eligibility requirements and process for certifying renewable resources as eligible for California's RPS and describes how the Energy Commission verifies compliance with the RPS.

The *Overall Program Guidebook* describes specific aspects of how the Energy Commission's Renewable Energy Program is administered. The *Overall Program Guidebook* also addresses aspects of the Renewable Energy Program related to the state's RPS under statute. Many of the RPS-eligible renewable energy resources may qualify for funding under elements of the Renewable Energy Program.

These documents are available free from the Energy Commission's website at:

[\[http://www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html\]](http://www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html)

Printed copies of the *RPS Eligibility Guidebook* are available for \$10 and the *Overall Program Guidebook* for \$5. Please send your request and a check or money order made out to the California Energy Commission to:

California Energy Commission
RE: ***Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook***
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RE: ***Overall Program Guidebook for the Renewable Energy Program***
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The attached list of errata were considered and adopted by the Energy Commission at the December 15, 2010 Business Meeting as part of the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook*. These errata are non-substantive in nature and provide staff clarifications to the text in the guidebook. The final guidebook incorporates these errata.

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Attachment: List of Errata

LIST OF ERRATA TO THE FINAL COMMITTEE DRAFT RENEWABLES PORTFOLIO STANDARD ELIGIBILITY GUIDEBOOK

The following list of errata was incorporated as part of the final revisions to the *Renewables Portfolio Standard Eligibility Guidebook* adopted at the Energy Commission's December 15, 2010, Business Meeting. Page numbers listed are in reference to the Final Committee Draft Guidebook released on December 3, 2010.

RENEWABLES PORTFOLIO STANDARD ELIGIBILITY GUIDEBOOK

I. Introduction

B. Outstanding Issues

1. Renewable Energy Credits (REC) Trading

Page 6, fourth paragraph of the section, last sentence:

The decision also clarified what attributes associated with renewable energy generation must be included ~~in~~with a REC for compliance with the RPS.

II. Eligibility Requirements

B. Eligibility for the Renewables Portfolio Standard

2. Biogas (including pipeline biomethane)

Page 19, second sentence of the section:

Biogas may be converted to electricity in an RPS ~~eligible-certified~~ electric generating facility located at the fuel processing site or it may be transported to an RPS-eligible electric generating facility.

Pages 19-20, paragraph starting at the bottom of page 19 and ending at the top of page 20:

As part of the RPS eligibility requirements no party may sell, trade, give away, claim, or otherwise dispose of any of the attributes that would prevent the resulting electricity from being compliant with the definition of "green attributes" as defined in the Overall Program Guidebook for the Renewable Energy Program. For biogas that is delivered from the production facility to the electric generating facility applying for certification, these necessary attributes must be conveyed along with the biogas and sold for the purpose of use at the electricity generating facility such that RECs generated would be eligible to meet the RPS.³⁹

Page 20, footnote 39:

~~39 Green attributes that must be conveyed to the electric generating facility and associated with the production of electricity are included in a renewable energy credit, as defined by the CPUC in Decision 08-08-028 on August 21, 2008.~~

6. Municipal Solid Waste

Page 30, paragraph immediately before the Distributed Generation section:

In addition to the certification or pre-certification application, applicants for MSW facilities must complete the supplemental application form for Biopower, CEC-RPS-1A/B:S1, which can be found in Appendix B, and provide additional required information (see Section III C 2: Instructions for Additional Required Information for Municipal Solid Waste Conversion Facilities)(~~see Section III: Additional Required Information~~).

D. Energy Delivery Requirements

Page 39, last line of the page:

The applicant seeking such certification must indicate that it is applying under this rule and the subsequent RPS certification will indicate the special conditions of the certificate.⁶⁴

Page 39, footnote 64:

~~64 See footnote 63.~~

IV. RPS Tracking, Reporting and Verification

A. Reports to the Energy Commission

Page 72, last sentence in footnote 90:

90 CPUC staff ~~have~~has determined that this does not include facilities that are renewable but for which the MJU does not have a contractual right to the associated RECs.

Appendix B

Certification Forms

Conforming changes were made to the certification forms.